

## Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time February 13, 2022

Wed. Feb. 16th CANCELLED St. John

Thur. Feb. 17th CANCELLED St. Columbkille

Fri. Feb. 18th CANCELLED St. John

Sat. Feb. 19th 4:00pm St. John

Sun. Feb. 20<sup>th</sup> 8:30am St. Joseph

Sun. Feb. 20th 10:30am St. Columbkille

Confessions for this Week

Cancelled Wednesdays 11:00-11:25am St. John Cancelled Thursdays after 7pm Mass St Columbkille Cancelled Saturday 3:15pm before Mass St. John's

#### Readings for the Week

Monday, Feb. 14th

James 1:1-11 Mark 8:11-13

Tuesday, Feb. 15th

James 1:12-18 Mark 8:14-21

Wednesday, Feb. 16th

James 1:19-27 Mark 8:22-26

Thursday, Feb. 17th

James 2:1-9 Mark 8:27-33

Friday, Feb. 18th

James 2:14-24, 26 Mark 8:34-9:1

Saturday, Feb. 19th

James 3 1-10 Mark 9:2-13

Sunday, Feb. 20th

1 Samuel 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23

1 Corinthians 15:45-49

Luke 6:27-38



#### Rosaries

At 3:30 @ St. John Church At St. Joseph Church @ 8:10am before Mass and prior to 10:30 Mass at St Columbkille on Sundays

## Let Us Give Thanks!

Weekend Collection - \$3987.00 Loose - \$358.00 Building Fund - \$20.00 650 Parish Families (297 Family envelope holders) 105 Envelope used

#### Donations:

In memory of Joe Kroetsch, Seven years have passed but our love goes on by us all. Alisa, Eric and Jerry Kroetsch and wife, Suzanne

In memory of Delphine McEachin by Charlotte Baker

In loving memory of Ronny Peruski, 5yr. anniversary. God has you in his keeping, I have you in my heart. Sadly missed by Roxy & family

## Mass Intentions for the Week of: February 7-13, 2022

Thursday St. Columbkille + Ron Sweeney
Friday St. John: ~ Desirae Guza
Saturday St. John: + Chris Ogryski
Sunday St. Joseph: + Joseph Rudy
Sunday St. Columbkille: Good Shepherd Parishioners

## Mass Intentions for the Week of: February 14-20, 2022

Saturday St. John: + Omar Hodgdon Sunday St. Joseph: + Good Shepherd Parishioners Sunday St. Columbkille + Michael Thomas Sweeney

## In This Sunday's Readings:

"Blessed are you when people hate you and when they exclude and insult you, and denounce your name as evil on account of the Son of Man." --Luke 6:22

Being a follower of Christ is not always easy. Some people will make comments or worse about your Catholic faith. God knows this. Through the Holy Spirit, we can have the courage to confidently stand up our faith and spread it to others – even in uncomfortable situations

#### Faith Formation

Please pray for all who come together on Tuesday,
Wednesdays and Sunday.
Kindergarten through 6<sup>th</sup> grade
Argyle: 6-7:30pm (Feb. 15, 22)
Ubly: 6-7:30pm (Feb. 16, 23)

Sheridan Corners: 6-7:30pm (Feb. 16, 23)

#### Youth Group

Youth group will be meeting in 2022. Feb. 27<sup>th</sup>, Mar. 20<sup>th</sup>, April 24<sup>th</sup>, & May 15<sup>th</sup>. We meet from 5pm-8pm & start with a shared meal. Youth group is for all 7-12<sup>th</sup> grades & there is no cost.

#### RCIA Meetings

"Christian Initiation RCIA Meetings will be held on Sunday, February 20 at 11:30am-1;00 pm at St. Columbkille church in the gathering room. If you have any questions, please call Dana Irion at 9895530585 or Fr. Nate at 9896588145."

#### Scripture Study

Good Shepherd Scripture Study Group will be studying the book, "Believe," by the Evangelical Catholic from Word Among Us. New members are always welcome. We will be gathering at St. Columbkille Church at 6:30 PM on the following dates: February 15, 22, March 1, 8, 15, 22, 29. The cost of the book is \$12. Please call to order a book or if you have any questions: Valerie Fischer 989-553-3088 or Lori Osantoski 989-375-4281

#### CHRISTIAN MOTHERS

The Christian Mothers will be meeting on Tuesday February 15<sup>th</sup> 2022 at 7:00pm. @ the Parish Center.

## "Support for Sandy"

We have placed Boxes at all entrances of each church for monetary donations in an effort to support Sandy Peplinski's cancer treatments. The Peplinski family would like to thank Good Shepherd Parish for their support and continued prayers for Sandy. Sandy is focusing 100% on her treatments at this time and is taking a leave of absence from her job at the Parish office. Please keep her in your prayers.

### **VOLUNTEERS' SCHEDULE:**

#### Counters:

Feb. 14: Luci Kubacki, Rose Maikrzek, Barb

Roggenbuck

Tuesday, Feb. 22: Judy Messing, Shirley Piontowski,

Ann Ypma

Feb. 28: Geraldine Peruski, Kay Peruski, Evelyn

Peruski

4:00pm Saturday Mass Feb. 19th St. John

Lector: Martin Kubacki EMHC: Martin Kubacki Altar Server: Maze Gusa

Ushers: Bob Brahmer, John Guigar, Dennis Smalley,

Richard Trepkowski

8:30am Sunday Mass Feb. 20th St. Joseph

Lector: Denise Kubacki
EMHC: Denise Kubacki
Greeter: Chuck Izydorek

Ushers: Chuck Izydorek, Gordon Farrelly, Bruce Uhl

10:30am Sunday Mass Feb. 20th St Columbkille

Lector: Youth Mass

EMHC: Zoe & Jacie Tyrrell Altar Servers: Youth Mass Greeters: Youth Mass Gift Bearers: Youth Mass

Ushers: Dan Cregeur, Marv Osentoski, Canden Peruski



#### BINGO - come and enjoy the day!

The Christian Mothers of Good Shepherd Parish will be holding a Bingo on Sunday Feb.13<sup>th</sup> starting promptly at 1 pm. At the Parish Center 1935 Hamilton St. located behind St. John Church. All are welcome (must be 18 yrs. old) to enjoy an afternoon of Bingo.

Serving Hot Dogs, Chips & desserts!!!



Ruth K of C Euchre Party on Sunday, February 13<sup>th</sup> starting at 1pm at the Ruth K of C hall. There will be cash prizes and a hot lunch included in. \$6 admission.

Come join us!

#### Euchre Game!!

TVO Ladies Auxiliary invites you to:

A Euchre Game Feb. 20<sup>th</sup> @ the TVO Hall

Cost \$10.00 person - Includes a meal.

Time 1pm. Please sign up @ Sleeper Public Library from

10am. - 5pm. Space limited!

Contact Bonnie Irvine @ 989-315-1225.



Bad Axe K of C Euchre Party on Sunday, February 20<sup>th</sup> at 1pm at the Bad Axe K of C hall. Doors open at noon. There will be cash prizes and a lite lunch included in the \$6 admission. Sponsored by Bishop Babcock Assembly – 4<sup>th</sup> degree. Come join us!!

Attention all parishioners: End of year statements are now available. Please call the office if you want yours. We are trying to conserve paper and ink and will only print statements for those who request them. Thank you.



## Sew What Day!!

Come learn to sew or bring to finish. Do something with new friends, in Argyle, St. Joseph's Hall Feb. 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> @ 9:00 am. Bring a dish to pass & your sewing stuff call Edie for more info (810)404-9887.

#### PALMS

You can drop off your blessed palms on the tables at the entrance of the church door. These collected blessed palms will be burned & used on Ash Wednesday.

#### Christ's Mission Appeal 2021

Our Parish is conducting our annual "Christ's Mission Appeal". Your gift to the appeal is used for funding various charities throughout the diocese and for invaluable parish support from the diocese. Thousands of people depend on your generosity. Our target goal is \$52,460 and pledged to date is \$34,692.

Thanks to all that have pledged so far!

#### Knights of Columbus

Ubly/Sheridan Council #12850

Next Meeting: Wednesday we will meet at 7:00pm at the Parish Center on March 9. We are always looking for New Members - call Jeff Maurer @ 989-553-4224. Our food pantry is available for anyone in need, located in Ubly. This is completely confidential and anonymous - call Jerry @989-550-9664. Jeff Maurer Grand Knight of Ubly/Sheridan Council-12850

#### Volunteers needed

Monday, February 14 at 9:30 to noon. Cutting, looping, and rolling into balls from plastic bags, to be crocheted into mats for the homeless. All are welcome to help with this project.





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Jer 17:5-8 | 1 Cor 15:12, 16-20 | Lk 6:17, 20-26

#### GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

Luke's account of the Beatitudes pulls no punches. Blessed are you ... who are poor, hungry, weeping, when people hate you. These admonitions bear little resemblance to the pursuit of happiness as most of us know it: Striving for wealth (or at least stability), enjoying a good meal, sharing a laugh with friends, and being well-liked. These are things of this world, and Jesus tells us that pursuing them alone will not make us truly happy. I don't think that means we need to wear sack-cloth and ashes, or refuse to enjoy the great gifts with which God has endowed his Creation. However, Jesus' words remind us that we won't find lasting happiness even in the finest meal or the most lavish vacation, but rather in placing our lives in God's hands. For the desire for happiness "is of divine origin: God has placed it in the human heart in order to draw us to the One who alone can fulfill it." (CCC 1718)

#### GO EVANGELIZE

#### PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

It's a little ironic that I am writing a reflection entitled "GROW and GO." Few plants have survived my black thumb. That's why I love the image of the tree in the reading from Jeremiah. One who trusts in the Lord "is like a tree planted beside the waters that stretches out its roots to the stream; it fears not the heat when it comes; its leaves stay green; in the year of drought it shows no distress, but still bears fruit." These words from Jeremiah are a prophecy of hope, and hope allows us to accompany one another through the hills and valleys (and occasional dead plants) of our lives. We can become a source of hope to others by praying for and with one another and encouraging them on their own journeys of faith. In doing so, we help one another tap into the ultimate source of hope – the God who loves us.

**STUDY** Read the Beatitudes and the Sermon on the Mount and reflect on how Jesus' teachings draw us ever more to himself and highlight our baptismal vocation: holiness. What one thing can you bring to prayer and the sacrament of reconciliation this week to purify your heart?





## **Jesus Thirsts for Your Love!**

Will you quench His thirst?
--- Fr. Nate's Update ---

(Lord Jesus, thank you for the newly renovated chapel including new altar and ambo at Huron County Medical Care facility!)

Fellow Saint-in-the-Making, Happy 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time!

**Some holy humor:** There was a baptism in church, and five-year-old Emma watched intently as the priest poured water on the tiny infant's head and said some important sounding words. Confused by what she saw, Emma leaned over and whispered in her father's ear, "Daddy, why is Fr. Bob brainwashing that baby?"

**Praise Report (How God Is Working In/Through Parish Family Members):** My mother has have had trouble sleeping well for quite a while, including insomnia. Recently when I spent a day off at my parent's house, I prayed for my parents before I went to bed, asking the Lord to give them good sleep. The next morning, my mother said she had slept quite well! (*Please send me "Praise Reports" to share to build up others' faith: blessings you did/didn't pray for such as spiritual, physical, emotional healing, or any experience of the Lord's personal love for you)* 

**Support Needed for Our Own Pro-life Missionary:** I invite you all to consider donating to (Good Shepherd parishioner) Haili Gusa's team- a one time donation, or even better- on a monthly basis. I met with her and am very impressed with her calling and gifting to become a pro-life missionary. If you'd like to meet with her to learn more about her life-saving work, email haili@protectlifemi.org. If you'd like to donate, after you go to the link below, make sure to include her donation code 1320 to earmark the donation for her team: www.protectlifemi.org/donate

Haili's Bio: Haili Gusa is a recent graduate of Central Michigan University where she studied Communication and Psychology. She works for Protect Life Michigan as their Training Coordinator. This organization serves high school students, college students, and young professionals in the state of Michigan to create passionate activists to end abortion. Last year alone the organization reached 316,543 people! Over the course of PLM's history, students have gone on to lead pregnancy centers, work in public policy and law for the pro-life movement, and much more. Haili is grateful to work for an organization where she can equip and train pro-life young people to become leaders in the pro-life movement!

**Testimonies from Consecrated Men and Women:** as I promised in my homily, here are some stories from the video I saw:

 One sister talked about living with other sisters, saying "They help me to grow, and I help them to grow"

- An older retired sister said, "My life was filled with satisfaction... in ministering to the people, because when you give you life to the Lord, you open your heart to the whole world"
- In another video, a sister said, "I believe it is an attraction to the person of Jesus. That is, it is something personal that touches you and it makes sense to give your life to that cause. It fascinates you, like falling in love, but something moves you and touches you inside and you say, it is worthwhile for me to give my life to this cause, isn't it?"
- An older sister said, "Consecrated life is a special gift and call from God to... dedicate my whole being to God alone" (AMEN SISTER!)

**Locks were changed on parish buildings:** Per Diocesan policy, they should have been changed in July 2013 when the new pastor arrived. If you believe you need a key, call secretary. If needed, she will ask for pastor's permission. If granted, you will fill out a key form and receive a key. Thank you.

**Dobbs vs Jackson Supreme Court Case** — Please continue to pray for the end of legalized abortion in the United States. On December 2021, the Supreme Court began hearing arguments in the Dobbs vs Jackson Case. The USCCB has asked that we set aside the 22nd of each month for prayer and fasting until a final decision is made this summer. Here are some suggestions:

- Fasting of meals, social media, music, etc.
- Gather family and friends to pray the rosary for the intention of protecting the sanctity of life
- Pray the following Prayer for the Supreme Court:

Holy Trinity, Source of Life and Truth, we entrust our nation to You. We ask for mercy for the decades of legalized abortion that has been permitted in our land and for healing for all those who have been wounded by it. We ask that the sacredness of every human life would be protected and upheld both in law and in culture. In a special way, we commend to you the Justices of the Supreme Court. Please grant them clarity, wisdom, and courage to judge according to truth and right reason. Overthrow, at last, by Your power, the scourge of abortion in our land and usher in a new era of protection for the unborn. By the power of Christ's Passion, Death, and Resurrection, may Your justice be established on earth. Amen!

**Huron County Right to Life Dinner March 17, 6:30pm, Bad Axe K of C Hall:** My goal is to find 7 others to join our Good Shepherd Parish table. If yes, let me know, and when you register (find form at huronrtl.org) indicate you'll sit with me. Guest Speaker Dan Compton will share his incredible story!

**Spiritual Adoption Prayer**: This prayer (printed below) was recommended by Venerable Fulton Sheen. It is a powerful way to help stop the anti-life agenda in the US. As you pray for an unknown unborn baby to be spared from abortion, known only to God, realize that in the next life and throughout eternity you and the child will find happiness in each other's company!

**Let Us Pray:** (<u>Pope's FEBRUARY Intention</u>): "...for religious sisters and consecrated women; thanking them for their mission and their courage; may they continue to find new responses to the challenges of our times." (<u>Venerable Fulton Sheen's Spiritual Adoption Prayer</u>): "Jesus, Mary and Joseph, I love you very much. I beg you to spare the life of [name], the unborn baby that I have spiritually adopted who is in danger of abortion."

God loves you, I love you, I pray for you, please pray for me! -Fr. Nate Harburg